



COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR MICHAEL E. ASHFORD

Command Sergeant Major Michael E. Ashford hails from Columbia, South Carolina. He attended Basic Training and AIT at Fort McClellan, Alabama. CSM Ashford has held various leadership positions to include Team Leader and Squad Leader in the 385th Military Police Battalion and the 3rd Infantry Division, Wurzburg Germany, Platoon Sergeant and First Sergeant in the 95th Military Police Battalion, Mannheim, Germany, First Sergeant at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, First Sergeant in the 25th Military Police Battalion, 25th Infantry Division (Light) Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, Brigade Operations Sergeant Major, MP. BDE, Hawaii, Division Provost Sergeant Major, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Casey, Korea, Battalion Command Sergeant Major, 10th/91st Military Police Battalions, 10th Mountain Division (Light), Ft. Drum, NY, Task Force Vigilant CSM, (Afghanistan) OEF VI/VII, Task Force Mountain Guardian CSM, USMA CST 07, Task Force Griffin CSM, (Iraq) OIF 09-11 and Command Sergeant Major of the 89<sup>th</sup> Military Police Brigade. CSM Ashford also served as a Drill Sergeant and Senior Drill Sergeant in the 787th Military Police Battalion as well as a Senior Small Group Leader for the Military Police Noncommissioned Officers Academy.

Command Sergeant Major Ashford has attended numerous military and civilian schools to include Special Reaction team, Drill Sergeant, Physical Security, Master Fitness, Air Assault, First Sergeant's Course and all NCOES courses to include the Air force Senior Noncommissioned Officers Academy as well as the PCC/CSMC. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Faulkner University in 1997, and his Master of Science degree in Education and Counseling from Long Island University in 2001.

Command Sergeant Major Ashford's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia BSS, Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Kuwait), Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Saudi Arabia), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Korean Defense Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Drill Sergeant Badge, Air Assault Badge, Drivers Badge, the German Efficiency Badge, the German Army Scheutzenschnur Weapons Qualification Badge (Bronze Award), and the Bronze Marechaussee.

Command Sergeant Major Ashford is married and has two daughters.